GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5487
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GUIDELINES TO MUSLIMS LIVING IN NAGA AREAS
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether attention of the Government has been drawn to the news-item regarding four point guidelines to Muslims living in the Naga areas in the North-Eastern Region appearing in the `Pioneer` dated April 7, 2002;

(b) if so, the facts thereof; and

(c) the steps taken by the Government in the matter?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI I.D. SWAMI)

(a)to(c): Government have seen to news item. According to available information, NSCN(K) on 16-1-2002, issued a press release containing following four point guidelines to Muslims in Naga areas:

(i) Non recognition of marriage between Nagas and Muslims;

(ii) Ban on use of loudspeakers in mosques;

(iii) Muslim population not to exceed 2500 in any sector; and

(iv) All Muslims must possess identity cards issued by NSCN(K).

The matter has been brought to the notice of State Government for further appropriate action.